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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. These documents were cited in the Supplementary European Search Report dated January 28, 2010, in a corresponding European patent application No. 05710162.8. One copy of each of these documents is attached. Document JP 5-6766 was previously submitted in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office with an Information Disclosure Statement filed on February 14, 2006. Document US 2002/028382 became a U.S. patent No. 6,716,556 B2, a copy of which is also enclosed.

No fee or certification is required in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement, since it is being submitted prior to the issuance of a first official action on the merits or expiration of the three month period following the filing date or the entry of the national stage of the above-captioned application.

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The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents cited in the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record therein and appear on the first page of any patent to issue therefrom.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 for any fee which is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

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